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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of)
Andrzej Z. Sledziewski et al.)
Serial No. 08/980,400)
Filed: November 26, 1997)
For: METHODS OF PRODUCING)
SECRETED RECEPTOR)
ANALOGS AND BIOLOGICALLY)
ACTIVE DIMERIZED)
POLYPEPTIDE FUSIONS)

Examiner: C. Kaufman

Group Art Unit: 1646

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 28, 1998, Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 44, without prejudice.

Please amend claims 29-43 and 45-58 as follows:

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